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SUBJECT:

Biographic Intelligence
(AFNINB Ltr, dated 27 December 1967) (U)

TO:

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1. (S) In response to your communique referenced above, the CODIB Memorandum, CODIB-D-111/1.5/7, 29 November 1967 has been reviewed by this headquarters and the following comments are submitted:

a. (S) The attachment to referenced CODIB Memorandum concludes that the inability of CIA and DIA systems to respond to the needs of the other agencies continuously, rapidly, and to the depth required has been a major factor in causing agencies to maintain their own biographic files. The recommendations, however, are primarily concerned with improving communication and no specific recommendation is made for the solution of the problem of depth and scope of file coverage. It is felt that this omission represents a serious shortcoming of the study.

b. (S) At the present time, there is a marked difference in the amount of information contained on a given personality in the various files. This is clearly demonstrated by a comparison of CIA and FTD holdings on Soviet scientific and technical personnel. Further, recent actions within the community indicate that this problem will become worse; e.g., the decision by CIA to stop incorporating MIRA inputs into the CIA file will further reduce the scope and depth of the coverage of its files. Since it is generally recognized that inputs provided to the file are incomplete, some of the agencies, notably NSA and FTD, have initiated special efforts to increase the scope and depth of the input for the biographic files. Nonetheless, the exploitation of the available biographic information is far from complete or adequate; thus, a major improvement is required in the exploitation of biographic information to provide inputs to the file. Unless this improvement is made, the motivation for creating separate files, either by analysts or by agencies, will remain.



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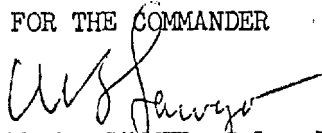
By placing the exploitation responsibility with the agencies that make primary use of that type of information, there is a greater probability of the consumer's needs being satisfied. The exploitation would be made consistent with the recommendation of the study.

d. (S) If the above exploitation would be accomplished, and if the files were totally automated, it is believed that centralized files would not be required. The exploitation program mentioned above would eliminate such duplication. File maintenance would not constitute a major problem since tape exchange would insure completeness of agency's file. The redundancy, which would occur, would be tolerable in view of the advantage of having a file co-located with the consumers. Indeed, it might prove more economical to establish a file at each agency rather than to install secure communication links between the agencies.

2. (S) In view of the similarity of Service Information and the inter-relationship with personality information, it is recommended that the above concept also be applied to information on Soviet facilities and organizations.

3. (U) This correspondence is classified SECRET for the protection of intelligence information revealing results in areas of interests.

FOR THE COMMANDER


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Biographic Intelligence

TO:

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1. (U) Reference your letter, subject as above, 27 December 1967.
2. (U) It is recommended that paragraph C, section IV, page 23 of CODIB Memorandum CODIB-D-111/1.5/7, 29 November 1967, be implemented immediately as a short range goal, with the long range goal that a central computer would contain an indexing ^{indicating} where files are maintained. A requestor would cause a search of the computer holding, receive a listing, identifying where and what biographics are maintained on a individual.
3. (C) It is not feasible nor is it desirable to have all biographic holdings consolidated into one or two areas of responsibility. Air Force projects "Have Check" and "White Stork" are sponsored by the Air Force, but not owned, therefore the data would remain under the control of the parent organization. It would be possible to insert indexing information into a central ADP system for retrieval purposes.
4. (C) Further, it is recommended that each agency be responsible to index their own holdings in a standard biographic format to ease exchangeability. Agreements would have to be made to insure these holdings would be readily available upon request. The responsibility for indexing open publications (Biographic Who-is-Who) would be shared by the intelligence community.
5. (U) Source operational documents and coding would not be entered into this system.

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